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**SENATOR GREGG VISITS MANCHESTER BOYS & GIRLS CLUB,
PRESENTS \$1.5 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDING**

Senator recognized for steadfast support of Boys and Girls Clubs of America

MANCHESTER, N.H. -- U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) joined Michael O'Sullivan, a representative on behalf of the national Boys & Girls Clubs of America, to present a \$1.525 million check to the New Hampshire Boys & Girls Clubs at the Manchester B&GC "Kids Club", a satellite location opened two years ago on Merrimack Street used by 125 kids. The funding is provided through the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Senator Gregg was able to increase the initial award by \$300,000 for New Hampshire Boys & Girls Clubs (an extra \$50,000 for each club in the Granite State) through his position as Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that oversees funding for the Department of Justice. In Fiscal Year 2003, Boys & Girls Clubs nationwide received a total of \$80 million in federal funding. Joining Senator Gregg were several Executive Directors and Board Members of B&GC across New Hampshire, and Adolfo Ramirez, the State Boys & Girls Clubs Youth of the Year.

Senator Gregg stated, "Boys & Girls Clubs are making a tremendous difference in the lives of thousands of kids nationwide, and that positive influence is certainly felt here in New Hampshire. Children must be exposed to positive role models at an early age and given opportunities to succeed in a safe and welcoming environment. Boys & Girls Clubs across our State are providing this opportunity, giving hundreds of kids the confidence and courage to reach for their goals and realize their full potential. The success of Boys & Girls Clubs is truly evident in Adolfo and the other Club members who benefit from the hard work of the Executive Directors, Board Members, employees, and volunteers at Clubs across the State. They continue to do an outstanding job improving the lives of New Hampshire youths."

Robbie Callaway, Senior Vice President of Boys & Girls Clubs of America, stated, "Senator Gregg has continuously proven to be a true friend to the children of New Hampshire and his leadership has helped Boys & Girls Clubs of America serve kids across America. He has made a true and lasting difference."

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